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SUBJECT: TERRORISM: WHEREABOUTS AND ACTIVITY OF RED ARMY
TERRORISTS

1. THREE JAPANESE RED ARMY TERRORISTS WHO HAVE HELD FRENCH
HOSTAGES IN FRENCH EMBASSY THE HAGUE FOR SEVERAL DAYS
DEPARTED WITH ADDITIONAL RED ARMY EX-PRISONER FROM AMSTERDAM
(SCHIPOL) AIRPORT AT APPROXIMATELY 2229 SEPTEMBER 17 FOR
UNANNOUNCED DESTINATION. PLANE, A BOEING 707 BELIEVED TO
BELONG TO TRANSAVIA AIRLINE WITH VOLUNTEER CREW, MAY BE
HEADING FOR DAMASCUS OR OTHER MIDDLE EASTERN POINTS.
TERRORISTS ARE SAID TO BE ARMED AND TO HAVE \$1 MILLION
RANSOM.

2. ALTHOUGH THERE IS NO DIRECT US CONNECTION WITH INCI-
DENT, WE ARE INTERESTED IN FOLLOWING UP FLIGHT AND INCIDENT.
ACCORDINGLY, WOULD APPRECIATE DISCREET LOW KEY MONITORING
OF FLIGHT AND EVENTS SURROUNDING IT AND TELEGRAPHIC
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REPORTING TO DEPARTMENT. DEPARTMENT INTERESTED IN SUCH DATA

AS: IDENTITY OF TERRORISTS, THEIR SUBSEQUENT ITINERARIES
AND STATUS, ATTITUDE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT TOWARD THEM AND THE
EVENT, ACTION IF ANY BY FRENCH, JAPANESE AND DUTCH GOVERN-
MENTS LOCALLY, PROSPECT OF EXTRADITION OF TERRORISTS TO
NETHERLANDS, FRANCE, OR JAPAN, AND COMMENT BY CREW MEMBERS
WHEN RELEASED. KISSINGER UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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